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From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/7/2017 2:43:48 PM
To: Kasman, Mark [Kasman.Mark@epa.gov]
CC: Nishida, Jane [Nishida.Jane@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Reschedule timing: Bilateral Meeting on June 11th(G7EMM)

Yes, that should be fine.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 7, 2017, at 6:52 AM, Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov> wrote:

Lincoln,

Japan would like to know if Japanese media can take photos and video at start of bilateral meeting and then. E ushered out.

What do you think?

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp>
Date: June 7, 2017 at 11:41:52 AM GMT+2
To: <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>, <rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp>, <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>, <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>, <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>, <KATSUTOSHI_ITO@env.go.jp>, <MAKIKO_KUBO@env.go.jp>, <KEITARO_TSUJI@env.go.jp>, <NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp>
Subject: RE: Reschedule timing: Bilateral Meeting on June 11th(G7EMM)

Dear Josh-san

Hello, I hope this mail finds you well.

I'd like to confirm below points regarding the bilateral meeting of Administrator Pruitt and Minister Yamamoto.

- Could this meeting be open to the Japanese media?

The media won't ask any question to Administrator Pruitt. They will just take some photos and videos only in a very beginning..

- As a protocol, we may consider to bring a souvenir for the meeting. Please let us know if you have any problem about it.

And I'd like to inform you of Japanese contact persons on the ground.
(Because I couldn't go to Bologna.)

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If there is any sudden change of the schedule and so on, please contact them.
Thank you in advance.

Best regards,
REI

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Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 5:20 PM
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Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; 関谷 毅史 <TAKESHI_SEKIYA@env.go.jp>; 杉本 留三 <RYUZO_SUGIMOTO@env.go.jp>; 星 千恵子 <CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp>; 山田 麗 <REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp>
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Dear Josh san

Thank you very much for your reconfirmation.
Regarding to the meeting space for the bilateral meeting, we will ask Italian G7 team to reserve accordingly.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Bologna.

Best Regards,
Natsumi ETO, MOE-J

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Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 1:46 AM
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Yes, Natsumi-san, thank you for the clarification. Sunday, June 11 from 7:45 to 8:15am is the time.

Thank you,
-Josh

From: NATSUMI ETO<[NATSUMI ETO@env.go.jp](mailto:NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp)>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 8:55 PM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; TAKESHI_SEKIYA@env.go.jp;
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Dear Josh san,

Thank you for your reply.
But we are really sorry for my typo about the date.

Used to:
Start from June 11th(Sun) 8:00-8:30

To be:
Start from June 11th(Sun) 7:45-8:15*15minutes earlier than "Used to"

Is this schedule still available for US EPA?

Sorry for your inconvenience caused.
If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact with us.
We will wait for your reply soon.

Best Regards,
Natsumi ETO

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Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 6:02 AM
To: 衛藤 奈都美 <NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; 関谷 毅史 <TAKESHI_SEKIYA@env.go.jp>; 杉本 留三 <RYUZO_SUGIMOTO@env.go.jp>; 星 千恵子 <CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp>; 山田 麗 <REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp>
Subject: RE: Reschedule timing: Bilateral Meeting on June 12th(G7EMM)

Dear Natsumi-san,

It is good to hear from you! We can confirm that we accept the reschedule to **June 12th 7:45-8:15**
Thank you!
-Josh

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Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:11 PM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; TAKESHI SEKIYA@env.go.jp; RYUZO SUGIMOTO@env.go.jp; CHIEKO HOSHI@env.go.jp; REI YAMADA@env.go.jp
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*I changed the title of this mail.
Dear Josh-san,

Thank you for your assistance for US and Japan bilateral meeting in G7EMM.
This is Natsumi ETO from Ministry of the Environment, Japan.
I am sending e-mail on behalf of my colleague, Rei.

Regarding to new Agenda which is "May 27th updated*", we should
reschedule the timing as below,
*Opening Ceremony starts from 8:30

Used to:
Start from June 12th 8:00-8:30

To be:
Start from June 12th 7:45-8:15*15minutes earlier than "Used to"

Could you confirm if US EPA side will accept this reschedule or not?
*Our side(MOE-Japan) is fine for this reschedule.

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact with us.
We will wait for your reply soon.

Best Regards,
Natsumi ETO, MOE-J

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To: 山田 麗 <REI YAMADA@env.go.jp>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; 衛藤 奈都美 <NATSUMI ETO@env.go.jp>; 星 千恵子 <CHIEKO HOSHI@env.go.jp>; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; 杉本 留三 <RYUZO SUGIMOTO@env.go.jp>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>
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Dear Rei-san,

The timing of 8:00-8:30 AFTER breakfast works. Thank you for agreeing to this time! Can you please clarify the statement about the media conference? It would certainly be okay to discuss the meeting with Japanese press. My understanding is that there is a broader

EMM host media conference with the Italian Minister and others that will focus on the G7 environment matters.

Regards,
-Josh

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Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 7:12 AM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
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Dear Josh-san

Thank you for your response about the bilateral meeting.

Sunday morning will be fine for Japanese side, too.
We would appreciate if you could accept a meeting AFTER the breakfast, 8:00 – 8:30 on Sunday. Our Minister may wish to have a meeting after eating a breakfast.

We understand you are not ready to work on a new joint statement at this time, and the meeting would be for greetings and the bilateral collaboration (introduction, accomplishment up to now, and also future cooperation focus areas).

However, we think our minister may wish to talk about the result of the meeting at the media conference. We hope it will be ok for your side.

I'm looking forward to hearing your thoughts.

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Best regards,
Rei

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Dear Rei-san,

I now have more information about scheduling a G7 EMM side meeting in Bologna. Thank you for your patience!

The best time period available for a meeting with Administrator Pruitt is a breakfast meeting the morning of Sunday, June 11. This could occur around 7:45, before the sessions started that day. One of the coffee break periods on Sunday at 10:30 or 16:40 or Monday at 11:00 is also possible, though would allow for less time. A meeting on Saturday is unfortunately not possible. Please let us know what will work best for Minister Yamamoto's schedule.

The meeting time is most conducive to personal meet and greet between the Ministers and introduction of our bilateral focus areas and key accomplishments over the last year. We are not able to work on a new joint statement at this time. With the proposed meeting focus on introductions and bilateral collaboration, G7 topics should not be a part of this courtesy meeting.

I look forward to your thoughts and to working with you and other MOE and EPA colleagues to set up this meeting and continue our bilateral cooperation.

Sincerely,
-Josh

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From: Novikoff, Joshua

Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 5:24 PM

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Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp;
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Subject: RE: Invitation to the web-conference for preparing bilateral conversation and 2nd Annual Meeting under MoU between US and Japan

Dear Rei-san,

It was a pleasure talking with you, Mr. Sekiya, and your colleagues last week. I am sharing our discussion within EPA so that we can effectively prepare for Bologna. It may take some time to explore meeting times and the possibility of issuing a new joint statement. I look forward to getting back with you with more information when I am able to determine more.

Sincerely,
-Josh

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2nd Annual Meeting under MoU between US and Japan

Dear Josh-san

I hope this mail finds you well.
Thank you very much for having taken time for the meeting last week.

Considering our discussion, it seems that Joint Statement could be issued as a result
of the bilateral meeting during G7EMM. How's a reaction of your boss?

If OK, we'd like to start drafting Joint Statement.
Please let us know a feeling of your side

Best regards,
REI

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Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 9:42 AM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; 衛藤 奈都美
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Subject: RE: Invitation to the web-conference for preparing bilateral conversation and
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Dear Josh-san

Good morning.
I understand the circumstances.

Here, I send the details (including login) of today's web-conference as follows:

Topic: web-conference for preparing bilateral conversation and 2nd Annual
Meeting under MoU between US and Japan
Date and Time: Thursday, April 27, 2017 9:00 pm, (Friday, April 28 2017 10:00
am)

Event number: 864 243 413
Event address for attendees: <https://www.webex.com/>

*Please enter from Event address and push "Join" at the right upper corner.

Then, fill in the blanks with Event number, your name and e-mail address.

(No registration to start the Webex meeting just fill in the blanks)

I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Best regards,
REI

From: Novikoff, Joshua [<mailto:Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>]
Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 4:51 AM
To: 山田 麗 <REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; 衛藤 奈都美 <NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp>; 星 千恵子 <CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp>; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>
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Dear Rei-san,

I look forward to speaking with you later. Please send any necessary information before the call in text format directly in the body of an e-mail to me. Unfortunately our e-mail system is not able to process zip format, the way that MOE's server sends them. When an attachment must be sent, what has worked for us in the past is for Suzuki-san to save them and send them to me in the unzipped format. But this is not necessarily possible for time sensitive documents.

Thank you,
-Josh

From: REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp [mailto:REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 9:51 PM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp; CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>
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Dear Josh-san

I'm very glad to hear that you tried to access WebEx system and succeeded.
I'll send you some information needed to join the meeting before starting it (maybe 10 or 15min before the meeting).

I'm looking forward to meeting you and discussing about US and Japan bilateral meetings (including possible topics, each other's demand, and so on).

Thank you.

Best regards,
REI

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Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; 衛藤 奈都美 <NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp>; 星 千恵子 <CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp>; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>
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Dear Rei-san,

I have tested the Web-Ex and was able to access the system. If you will be setting this up, please provide me with the link to access the WebEx meeting.

Sincerely,
-Josh

From: REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp [mailto:REI_YAMADA@env.go.jp]
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 10:10 PM
To: Novikoff, Joshua <Novikoff.Joshua@epa.gov>
Cc: Kasman, Mark <Kasman.Mark@epa.gov>; rieko.suzuki@mofa.go.jp; NATSUMI_ETO@env.go.jp; CHIEKO_HOSHI@env.go.jp; Doroski, Brenda <Doroski.Brenda@epa.gov>; Almodovar, Lisa <Almodovar.Lisa@epa.gov>; Guen-Murray, John <guen-murray.john@epa.gov>; Harris, Justin <Harris.Justin@epa.gov>
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本メールの添付ファイルは、パスワード付きZIP化されております。
パスワードは、別メールにてご案内いたします。

This e-mail has encrypted attached file(s) for safety purpose.
The password will be informed to you by the other e-mail.

Dear Josh-san

At 9pm in Washington on April 27th would be available for us.
Thanks a lot.

In addition, please consider using Webex because our phone-call conference system doesn't work now. I'm honestly sorry about it.
The attached file shows how to use Webex.

Thank you.

Best regards,
REI

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Dear Rei-san,

A call this Thursday evening is possible. This would be the evening of April 27 in Washington DC/Friday morning April 28 in Tokyo. It may just be me participating in the call from our side as the Japan Program Manager, though any number of participants from MOE are welcome. Please let me know if this is suitable. Would 9pm Washington (10am Tokyo) work for you?

Sincerely,
-Josh

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Dear Josh-san

I hope this mail finds you well.

I have to let you know that next week is Golden Week in Japan(May 3rd, 4th, 5th are Japanese holidays).

So, we appreciate if the meeting is set during this week. Or May 1st might be possible.

How about your schedule?

Would you available in the evening (in Washington) on this Thursday or Friday?

I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,
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Dear Josh-san

Thank you for your response.

I think time differences might be a barrier for setting video conference, as you mentioned.

We appreciate if you'll participate in the telephone conference from home in the evening.

I suggest using Webex system (it's a kind of video conference system, and could be used by any PC, of course from home). Please consider about it.

Also, I'd like to confirm members of participants. We suppose members of Japanese side will be a manager, an assistant manager, and other 2 or 3 persons. Would it be fit for your side?

Best regards,
REI

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Dear Rei-san,

I was pleased to hear that Justin had the opportunity to meet with you and MOE colleagues during his trip to Tokyo last week. Thank you for reaching out about bilateral cooperation and meetings between EPA and MOE.

It can be possible to arrange international video conference meetings. But it is difficult, especially considering the time differences between Washington and Tokyo—it requires one side to be in the office very late in the evening! So it can be a possibility sometimes (for example 8am in Washington/9pm in Tokyo). To talk during Tokyo business hours, it is often more convenient to talk by voice only with EPA staff being able to take calls from home in the evening to match with your morning.

We are in the planning process for the G7 EMM Italy. We would be glad to have a discussion with you soon when we have more information to share. I will be back in touch with you about scheduling.

Sincerely,
-Josh

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Dear Rei,

Thank you for the message and it was my pleasure to meet the team last week. Mr. Kasman is on travel this week. Mr. Novikoff will follow up with you soon with regard to scheduling the call and the follow up discussion. There was meaningful progress on our work with regard to air quality protection, environmental education and mercury monitoring. As a result of the meetings, MOEJ's environmental education team decided to join the Osaka meeting of the Global Environmental Education Partnership. Everyone was very pleased to learn this today. Thank you again for your support and assistance. I hope all is well. More soon.

Best, Justin

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*Let me include Rieko to share information

Dear Harris san,

This is Rei from Ministry of the Environment, Japan.

Thank you for coming to our Ministry on April 11th and meaningful meeting.

As we talked over the meeting, we would like to set web-conference before several events between Japan and US, especially the bilateral meeting in the margin of G7EMM.

*Could you tell us when is your available date(time) to have web-conference in April?(US Time)

*Could you tell us if US participants are able to use Webex(web-conference system)?

If you have any ideas about this web-conference, please kindly let us know.

Best Regards,

Rei

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